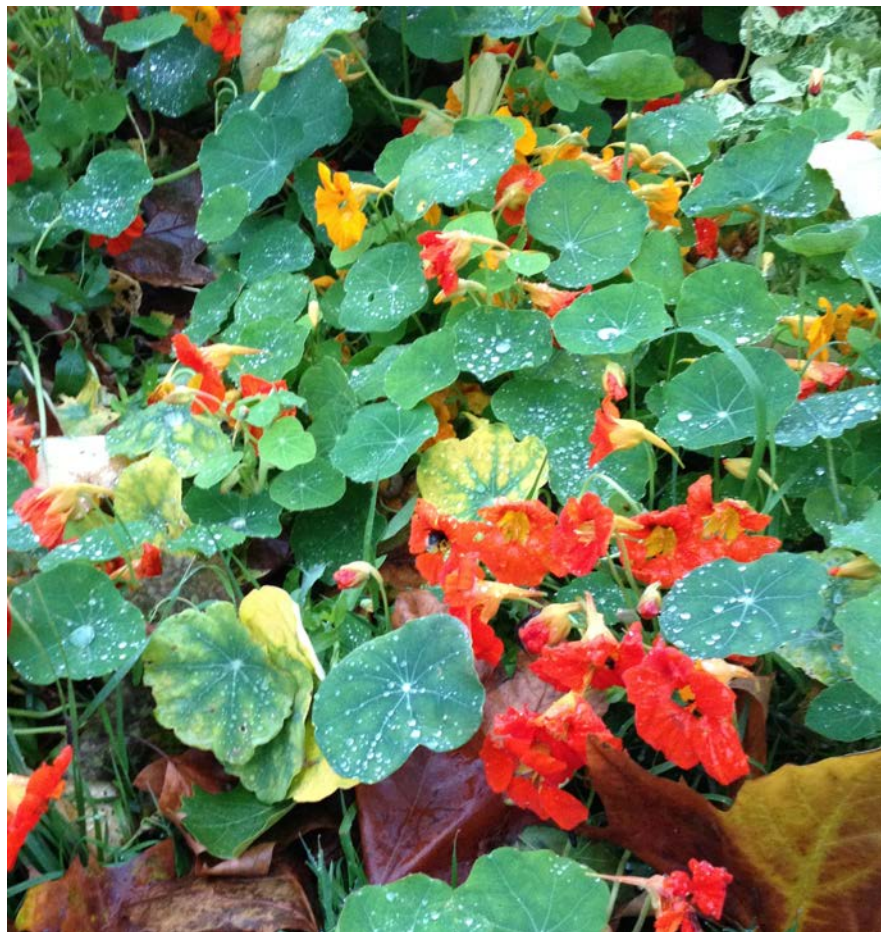


Cavendish House Allotments *newsletter*

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C a v e n d i s h A l l o t m e n t s A s s o c i a t i o n A G M 2014

Sunday 23 November

2:00pm for 2:30pm start, –
2:30 - 3:30pm

St Stephen's School
Winchester Road

St Margarets
AGENDA

1. Chairman's welcome
2. Apologies
3. Acceptance of last year's AGM. minutes

4. Matters arising
5. Highlights of the last year
6. Treasurers report
7. Election of committee members
8. Regular features seed scheme, compost, horse manure, wood chips
9. Plot turnover
10. Best Plot
11. Any other business
12. Close of meeting and refreshments

Anyone unable to attend the AGM can e-mail or text a question to:
enquiries@cavendish-allotments.org.uk or text:
07505668268, or give directly to a committee member.

On Site News

Useful things to borrow/use

- Incinerator
- Sundry tools: spade, fork, rake, wheel barrow
- Bays available in the communal greenhouse (£5 a bay for 12 months)

Please contact a committee member by leaving a message on 07505 668268

or email enquiries@cavendish-allotments.org.uk to arrange to use these items

Wildlife on the allotment

Reptile and Amphibian Workshop

A wildlife organisation are to give a 2 hour workshop next year on site looking at reptile and amphibians which can be found on allotment sites. Information will be given as to the benefits and methods of encouraging these.

Sunday 10 May 2015, 1:00 - 3:00pm

More information can be found at www.froglife.com

Communal Composting area

The communal composting bays will be opened on days which will be advertised on the allotment notice board (on these days you will also be able to take compost from the bays which is free)

Horse Manure

Will be delivered in the next month, at which time a notification will be put on noticeboard. The manure will be 50p per barrow load to cover the delivery charge. As it is fresh it will need to rot down over

the winter either in your compost bin, in bags, or kept in a pile and covered.

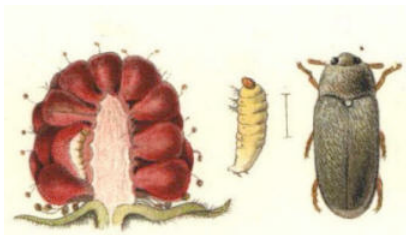


Putting your plot to bed for the winter

To make your plot easier for the following year and help prevent weeds growing, clear away & compost this year's annual veg., apply home-made compost, and cover uncultivated areas (with black plastic or even cardboard held down with bricks/planks) For more information on what to do at this time of year, refer to:

<http://www.allotment-garden.org/garden-month-help/garden-october.php>

Raspberry Beetle



Although not always spotted, the raspberry beetle and its larvae seem to be one of the common problems for all cane fruit.

The adult beetles lay their eggs in the flowers from April to

September. The eggs hatch about two weeks later and the small larvae feed on the developing fruits for five to seven weeks, before falling to the ground to pupate in the soil. The larvae stay in the ground over winter and emerge as adult beetles the following spring.

more information and control methods refer to http://old.gardenorganic.org.uk/growyourown/fruit_manual/Cane_Fruit.pdf

Recipes:



Spiced Tomato Chutney

- 1 Kg. Tomatoes- skinned , peeled and chopped
- 750 gr. Cooking apples – peeled, cored and chopped
- 375 gr. Light Muscovado sugar
- 250 gr. Onions – chopped
- 250 gr. Raisins
- 1 Green pepper
- 2 tsp. Salt
- 1 tsp ground ginger
- 2 (or more) green chillies- finely chopped
- 350 gr. Cider vinegar

2 teaspoons cumin seeds

Place all ingredients in a large preserving pan and bring to the boil over a medium heat , stirring until the sugar dissolves. Boil gently until mixture is thick and pulpy - roughly one hour- but stir frequently to prevent mixture sticking to the pan. Put into sterilised jars and seal. This will be ready for eating after three months.

Contact us

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www.cavendish-allotments.org.uk

Essential texts and messages, 07505 668268

